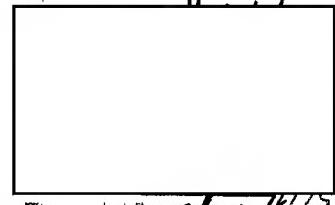


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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief Signal Officer
 United States Army

THROUGH : Chief of Staff
 United States Army

SUBJECT : Commendation for [redacted]

1. It gives me great pleasure to commend [redacted]
 [redacted], of your organization, for outstanding service he rendered
 the intelligence community during his tour of duty in an important
 position with this Agency from 1 July 1955 to 16 March 1957.

2. During this period of service, [redacted] initiated a
 thorough review of the evidence with regard to Soviet Bloc progress
 in a highly critical technical area. He undertook an independent
 survey of the problem and established effective liaison with other
 U.S. organizations which could assist in the solution of the problem.
 He served as the focal point in coordinating the assets of these
 organizations to collect information which provided a sound founda-
 tion for an estimate of Soviet Capabilities in the high priority
 technical area.

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3. While the results of this program have not yet been fully
 exploited, it has provided the most positive indications yet avail-
 able of Soviet progress in this area and has established a sound
 basis for further increases in our knowledge of Soviet technological
 activities in this and other closely related fields.

SIGNED

C. P. GARNELL
 Lieutenant General, USAF
 Deputy Director

CONCURRENCES:

Assistant Director/SI

Deputy Director/Intelligence

2 APR 1957

Date

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TO: INFORMATION FOR: Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

FROM: Deputy Director/Intelligence

SUBJECT: Commendation for [redacted]

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1. It is recommended that a special commendation be approved and forwarded through the appropriate channels for [redacted] [redacted] a Signal Corps Officer on duty with this Agency from 1 July 1955 to 15 March 1957. A draft of the commendation letter is attached.

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2. [redacted] served as Deputy Chief of our Electronics Division during his tour with us. As I'm sure you appreciate, the work of this Division covers a broad range of subject matter and administration of its diverse project activity is a challenging assignment for any man. [redacted] very ably assisted [redacted]

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25X1 and we are very sorry to lose him. He is leaving at the urgent request of the Chief Signal Officer to become his Chief Security Officer, an assignment in which we and the Agency Security Office have considerable interest.

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3. The commendation recognizes an outstanding contribution of [redacted] in the field of intelligence on Soviet advances in proximity fuzes.

4. Until early in 1956, the intelligence evidence on Soviet proximity fuzes was so weak that a reliable assessment of Soviet capabilities in this area was not possible. The evidence was limited essentially to the positive information that the Soviets acquired access to the U.S. World War II type of fuzes and some information on the early laboratory work done on such fuzes in Czechoslovakia. We have estimated that Soviets in general had the required competence and technology for reproducing the U. S. type fuzes or developing their own.

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5. Early in 1956, [redacted] initiated a thorough review of the evidence on Soviet progress in proximity fuzes against the U. S. and British experience in research, development and operational uses of such fuzes. He has been successful, primarily by virtue of his personal purposeful and consistent efforts, in bringing together